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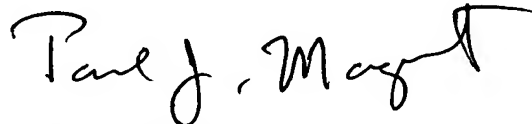
In connection with the Office Action dated May 14, 2003 in the above-entitled application, Applicants respectfully request a one (1) month extension of time in which to file a response, from August 14, 2003 to September 14, 2003. Since the due date

for filing the Amendment fell on a weekend (Sunday, September 14, 2003), the Amendment is being timely filed on Monday, September 15, 2003.

The fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) is submitted herewith. Also, please provide any further extensions of time which may be necessary and charge any fees which may be due to Deposit Account No. 13-0014, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul J. Maginot". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Paul" and last name "Maginot" clearly distinguishable.

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